held at Warsaw in October, 1987, Poland offered to help in the development of coal mining projects including areas such as shaft sinking, mine construction, washeries, modernisation of rescue stations, mine electrification as well as in opencast mining and coal handling plants. Poland also expressed willingness to enter into collaborations with suitable Indian companies fo this purpose It also showed interest in the lignite mining-cum-power project in Rajasthan, and willingness to consider Government credit for this project.

(b) Specific Polish offers, when received, will be given due consideration by the Government, taking into account similar offers from other sources, if any.

Raising exemption limit for industrial licensing

3061. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to raise the exemption limit for industrial licensing to Rs. 50 crores;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) The exemption limit for purposes of industrial licensing was raised from Rs. 3 crores to Rs. 5 crores on 23rd April, 1983 as a part of the liberalisation of the licensing system. Liberalisation of industrial licensing policy and streamlining of procedures thereof so as to bring about rapid industrial growth in the country within the overall framework of Industrial Policy Resolution of 1956, is a continuous process and any upward revision of the exemption limit, if necessary, may be considered at the appropriate time.

Manufacturing machine tools for defence application

3062. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hindustan Machine Tools propose to manufacture two machine tools of vital importance in defence application in collaboration with three German firms; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO). (a) HMT manufactures several types of Machine Tools with collaborators in Germany as well as in other countries and supplies them to various sectors including defence

(b) It would not be in public interest to disclose the details.

Investment in Public Sector in Rayalaseema

3063. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the Central investment made so far in Public Sector Projects in Rayalaseema district in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) what are the details of the project set up, employment generated and the number of local people given benefits; and

(c) what are the future plans of the Central Government for industrialisation of the Rayalaseema Region?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) As per the available information the investment in terms of gross block made in the projects of Cement Corporation of India Ltd. and National Textile Corporation Ltd in Rayalaseema district of Andhra Pradesh is Rs 41 10 crores.

(b) A statement is enclosed. (*See* below).

Statement

Details of the projects set up, employment generated and the number of local people given benefits:—

Sl. No.	Name of Project	Employment generated	Local people given benefits
1	Cement Corporation of India Ltd. 1200 TPD at Yerraguntla, Cuddapah Distt.	558*	Separate figures not available.
2	Anantpur Cotton Mills Yerraguntapalli, P.O Tadapatri.	725	Do.
3	Adoni Cotton Mills, P.O. No. 55, 146, Alur Road, Adoni.	523	Do.
4	Tirupati Cotton Mills, Reni-gunta.	683	Do.

*Preference is given to the local people, subject to their meeting the requirements.

(c) Investment decisions of Central Government are mainly based on techno-economic considerations and are subject to the overall resource constraints and not on regional basis.

Charkhi-Dadri Unit of C.C.I.

3064. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state whether the Central Government have received representations for holding inquiries in the present state of affairs, losses, mismanagement, unfair labour practice etc. in the Charkhi-Dadri Unit of Cement Corporation of India; if so, what are the details of such representations and what action Government have taken or propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): This is a sick unit taken over from the private sector having excessive manpower besides other disadvantages like old equipment etc. The special sick unit dispensations like subsidised power etc given by the State Government have already expired contributing further towards losses. The supply of requisite grade of kankar in the vicinity has also exhausted. Besides taking steps to improve capacity utilisation, the State Government has been approached for extending the period for subsidy on power Fresh sources of *kankars* are also being explored.

'No Industry Districts' in Andhra Pradesh

3065. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of 'No Industry Districts' identified so far in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) the measures proposed for the development of such districts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The districts which did not have any large or medium scale industry existing as per District Industry Centre Action Plans for 1979-80, have been identified as 'No Industry Districts'. No district in Andhra Pradesh fulfilled this criteria.

(b) Does not arise

Clearance to proposals for setting up industries in A.P.

3066. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state

(a) whether some proposal sent by the Government of Andhra Pradesh for setting up of new industries in the State are under the consideration of the Central Government;